GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

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Schools for the Differently Abled
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received proposals for opening of residential and non-residential schools for physically and mentally challenged children including deaf and dumb children from various States including Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated, released and utilised for the said purpose during the last three years and the current year, agency/ organisation and State-wise;

(c) the details of such schools opened during the said period, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any review of the said schemes; and

(e) if so, the details and the findings thereof along with the action taken to remove the deficiencies, if any, noticed therein?

Answer

MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI THAAWARCHAND GEHLOT)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 525 for 11.04.2017 asked by Shri Pralhad Joshi and Shri Ashwani Kumar Choubey regarding Schools for the Differently Abled.

(a) No, Sir.

(b) & (d) Does not arise. However, it would be appropriate to inform that the Department is implementing a scheme namely Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme(DDRS) under which grant-in-aid is provided to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) for running special schools after functioning for a minimum period of 2 years. It does not provide funds for opening of special schools or any other project under DDRS.

A statement indicating amounts provisionally allocated for the states and amount of funds released under the DDRS Scheme for the last three years and the current year is at Annexure I.

A statement indicating number of special schools assisted under the DDRS scheme for the last three years and the current year, agency/organization and State-wise is attached as Annexure II.

The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities through its National Institutes run model schools for specific disabilities and the amount of funds utilized by them during the last 3 years and the current year are as under:

Sl. No Name of the National Institute under the Department Amount spent (Rs. In lakhs)

2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17

1. Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya National Institute for Persons with Physical Disabilities (Divyangjan)
15.80 33.92 30.87 28.32
2 National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with
Visual Disabilities (Divyangjan) 124.56 138.41 101.88 148.52
3. National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (NIEPID) 225.09 267.41 317.23 350.68
4. National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities
(NIEPMD) 35.00 39.70 44.47 47.71

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.
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